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Sir:

The following remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated February 24, 2004 regarding the above-identified U.S. patent application.

Applicants acknowledge the indication of the allowability of the subject matter of Claims 3 and 9, as set forth in paragraph 3 of the Office Action. In particular, the latter claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Nevertheless, for the reasons set forth hereinafter, Applicants respectfully submit that these claims are allowable in their present dependent form.

Claims 1, 2, 4-8 and 10 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as anticipated by Peters (U.S. Patent No. 3,241,344). However, as discussed below,